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## NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



In Chicago, prices were higher on all sizes. In most other locations, prices were unchanged. The market tone was steady to fully steady entering the weekend. Demand into all channels was moderate to good, best where features were planned for next week. Supplies were about adequate to fully adequate, instances available. Breaking stock offerings were at least adequate to occasionally ample for the light demand. Light type hens were mostly fully sufficient to ample for normal slaughter schedules.

**NORTH ATLANTIC** In Boston, prices were unchanged to 1 cent higher for mediums and unchanged on the larger sizes. In Philadelphia and New England, prices were unchanged. The market tone was steady to instances fully steady. Demand ranged moderate to good, best where items were featured. Supplies were adequate to available for trade needs. Breaking stock offerings were adequate to ample for the light demand. Light type hens were mostly fully adequate to ample for the light demand.

**NEW YORK** Prices were unchanged on all sizes. The market tone was steady to instances fully steady. Demand was moderate to good, best where featured. Supplies were adequate to fully adequate for trade requirements.

**MIDWEST** Prices to producers in Iowa-Minnesota-Wisconsin were up 1 cent for large, 2 cents for medium and were unchanged for small. Prices in other areas were unchanged. Trade sentiment was mixed, usually steady to fully steady. Retail demand was moderate to good, best into features. Food service movement was light to mostly moderate. Supplies were about adequate. Central States nest run breaking stock prices were unchanged. Offerings at least adequate to available for the mostly light interest. Most breakers were content to work from heavy inventories and regular commitments and wait further market developments. Floor stocks at least fully adequate. Schedules mostly full-time to instances over-time. Trade sentiment steady.

**CHICAGO** Prices on larger sizes increased 1 cent, mediums 2 cents higher. Trade sentiment was steady to fully steady with mediums in the strongest position. Retail demand moderate to instances good, best where feature activity is a factor. Food service movement light to moderate with continuing reports that restaurant demand has not returned to normal levels. Supplies adequate to instances available.

**SOUTHERN** Prices were unchanged. Asking prices for next week's deliveries were trending higher than current week. The market tone was mostly fully steady entering the weekend. Demand was moderate to good. Supplies were adequate to fully adequate for full trade needs. Breaking stock supplies were adequate to instances ample and demand was light. Light type fowl were mostly fully adequate to ample for the light demand.

**WEST COAST** Prices unchanged. The market tone was mixed with asking prices for next week 2-3 cents lower on jumbo, unchanged on extra large and large, and 3-4 cents higher on medium. Retailer demand mainly moderate, best where features planned. Offerings in fair balance.

**PRICES TO RETAILERS** - SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, GRADE A AND US GRADE A WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR OR WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

NORTHEAST CITIES	EXTRA LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
Boston (Brown)	98-100	85-87	56-61
New York	63-65	60-63	40-43
Philadelphia	61-63	59-61	35-40
<b>SOUTHERN CITIES</b>			
Atlanta (1) (2)	49-50	47.5-49	27-28
Jackson (1)	60-61	56-57	36-37
Major Louisiana Cities (1)	58-66	54-62	33-41
<b>MIDWEST CITIES</b>			
Chicago	49-54	48-53	32-37
Detroit (2)	45-48	44-47	24-27
Major Ohio Cities (2)	46-52	45-50	25-31
Major Wisconsin Cities	49-57	47-54	28-35
<b>WESTERN CITIES</b>			
Houston (1)	59-66	56-62	37-41
Southern California (Grade AA) (4)	72-84	68-75	49-55
California (Grade AA)(1)(3)	87	78	59
(1) - Prices Reported Weekly	(3) - Reported Invoice Prices		
(2) - Delivered Warehouse	(4) - Prices To Retailers		

**CALIFORNIA EGGS** Prices unchanged. The market tone was mixed with asking prices for next week 3 cents lower on jumbo, unchanged on extra large and large, and 3 cents higher on medium and small. Retailer demand light to mainly moderate. Offerings light locally, adequate but at often higher trending prices from out of state. Small invoice price 39. Ads in Southern California: smaller outlets - extra large dozen 79, large dozen 69-99, medium dozen 2 for \$1.

### CALIFORNIA

PRICES INVOICE, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, IN CARTONS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE
JUMBO	98
EXTRA LARGE	87
LARGE	78
MEDIUM	59

### SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA:

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE
JUMBO	85-95
EXTRA LARGE	72-84
LARGE	68-75
MEDIUM	49-55

PRICES TO CONSUMERS MAJOR CHAINS, METROPOLITAN AREA, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE
JUMBO	239-289
EXTRA LARGE	229-269
LARGE	199-229
MEDIUM	179-199

**CENTRAL STATES BREAKING STOCK** Prices continued unchanged. Offerings at least adequate to available for the mostly light interest. Most breakers were content to work from heavy inventories and regular commitments and wait for further market developments. Floor stocks at least fully adequate. Schedules mostly full-time to instances over-time. Trade sentiment steady.

PRICES PAID TO 11:00 A.M., MATERIAL EXCHANGED, 30 DOZEN CASE EQUIVALENT, 48 LB. MINIMUM NET WEIGHT, DELIVERED TO BREAKERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE
NEST RUN	27-29
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	10-14
CENTRAL STATES AREA:	
AR,CO,IA,IL,IN,KS,LA,MI,MN,MO,NM,ND,NE,OH,OK,SD,TX,WI	

**EASTERN REGION BREAKING STOCK** Prices were unchanged when compared to early week trading. Demand was reported as light. Supplies were adequate to occasionally ample for current trade requirements. The trade sentiment was steady. Cases broken under federal inspection in the Eastern region for the week ending September 22, 2001 were 3% less than the previous week and 8 % less than the same week a year ago.

PRICES MATERIAL EXCHANGED, 30 DOZEN CASE EQUIVALENT, 48 LB. MINIMUM NET WEIGHT, DELIVERED TO BREAKERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
NEST RUN	24-28	25-26
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	10-17.25	10-15
EASTERN REGION AREA:		
AL,CT,DE,FL,GA,KY,ME,MD,MA,MS,NH,NJ,NY,NC,PA,RI,SC,TN,VT,VA,WV		

**EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION - W/E 22-Sep-01**  
(LBS IN THOUSANDS) (EXCLUDES INGREDIENTS)

\*Note revision to last week\*

	CASES BROKEN	LIQUID WHOLE	LIQUID WHITE	LIQUID YOLK	DRIED	INED.
CW	1,271,236	28,739	12,758	6,725	2,811	4,207
PW	*1,235,410*	*28,258*	11,864	6,358	2,810	*4,219*
LY	1,217,566	27,221	12,009	6,693	2,786	4,328
% PW	3	2	8	6	0	0
% LY	4	6	6	0	1	-3
2001	*43,763,207**994,198*	439,375	235,208	96,107*	156,069*	
2000	44,445,040	1,001,061	449,315	241,493	109,834	147,618
% CHG YTD	-2	-1	-2	-3	-12	6
AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE-	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK	LAST YEAR			
(INEDIBLE INCLUDED)	41.24	*41.04*	41.27			
(INEDIBLE EXCLUDED)	37.93	*37.62*	37.72			

\*\*Revision, Previous week cases broke, liquid whole, Inedible, and Yield\*\*

**NATIONAL LIQUID EGGS** Pasteurized whites reported at 17.5 cents fob with pasteurized salt yolk reported from 68 to 68.5 cents fob. Trade sentiment was cautiously steady to steady for whole egg, weak on whites, and fully steady to firm for yolk. Offerings were fully adequate to instances ample for whites, adequate to available for whole egg and balanced for yolk. Demand was fair to good as yolk continued in the best position. Many breakers pondered separation schedules for the coming weeks. Breaking stock supplies were at least fully adequate with prices unchanged from the previous week. Prices paid cents per lb., FOB Plant to 10:00AM Friday 28 September, 2001 non-pasteurized trucklot. For delivery within 14 days.

	CLASS	LOADS	RANGE	WTD. AVG.	CHANGE FROM LAST WEEK
WHOLE		18	27.5-29	28.53	.17
WHITES		27	10-18.5	12.65	-1.43
YOLKS		15	68-70.5	69.23	-.08

**EASTERN REGION FROZEN** Trucklot values ranged unchanged.

Offerings were generally tight on yolk, balanced for whole egg and white. Demand was seasonally moderate. The undertone was fully steady on yolks, steady on whole egg and whites. Liquid and frozen eggs (ingredients included) processed under federal inspection in the Eastern region for the week ending September 22, 2001 were 1% less than the previous week and 6% less than a year ago.

	CONTAINERS)	TRUCKLOTS	LTL (MIN. 25 CONT.)
	RANGE	MOSTLY	RANGE
WHOLE	42-45		51-56
BLENDS (/)	TFEWR		65-85
WHITES	29-32	29-30	34-49
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	79-81		80-87
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	73-77	75-77	77-79
(/) - WHOLE PLUS YOLK PLUS SWEETENER, GENERALLY 28-32% EGG SOLIDS.			

**CENTRAL REGION FROZEN** Whole egg, whites, and salted yolk mostly values were unchanged to 1 cent higher with sugared yolk unchanged. Trade sentiment was mostly steady for whites and whole egg and steady to fully steady on sugar and salt yolk. Offerings were balanced with current demand with demand rated as fairly good to instances good. Breaking stock supplies were at least fully adequate with prices unchanged.

	CONTAINERS)	TRUCKLOTS	MOSTLY
	RANGE		
WHOLE	42-46		42-44
WHITES	29-32		
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	79-82		80-82
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	74-76		75-76

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA FROZEN** Prices 1 cent lower on whites, unchanged on the balance. Southern California breaking activity for the week ending 9/22 was 5% more than the previous week. Breaking stock adequate. Frozen demand fair with freezer stocks adequate.

WHOLESALE SELLING PRICES, FOB SHIPPING POINT (CENTS PER POUND IN 30 LB. CONTAINERS) LTL (MIN. 25 CONT.)

	RANGE
WHOLE	49-52
WHITES	33-36
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	83-86
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	79-82

**NATIONAL DRIED EGG** Mostly prices were unchanged to lower on albumen, balance of prices was unchanged. The undertone was generally steady, however yolks ranged fully steady to instances firm. Offerings were adequate to fully adequate with albumen in the longest position. Demand was reported as light. Dried eggs processed under federal inspection for the week ending September 22, 2001 was unchanged from the previous week, but 1% more than the same week a year ago. Total year to date change was 12% less than a year earlier.

WHOLESALE SELLING PRICES, DOLLARS PER LB., IN CONTAINERS, TRUCKLOT AND LESS-THAN-TRUCKLOT VOLUMES.

WHOLE	1.48-1.75	MOSTLY 1.55-1.62
YOLKS	1.80-2.05	MOSTLY 1.80-1.90
ALBUMEN, SPRAY, DRIED	2.10-2.60	MOSTLY 2.15-2.25
BLENDS (WHOLE PLUS SWEETENER)	1.15-1.30	MOSTLY 1.20-1.25

**TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES** WEEKLY WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR SEP 21, 2001 - SEP 27, 2001

CURRENT LOADS								FUTURE LOADS								TOTAL LOADS							
111.50								106.50								218.00							
SE				NE		MW		SC				NW		SW									
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS
GNR W 1	35.33	35.22	39.75	40.50	31.20	32.35	71.00	GNR W 1	—	38.00	—	—	—	—	4.00	GNR W 1	—	38.00	—	—	—	—	4.00
GNR W 2	—	30.00	—	—	30.00	33.00	11.00	GNR W 2	—	—	—	—	—	—	2.00	GNR W 2	—	—	—	—	—	—	2.00
GNR W 3	21.50	—	23.00	25.75	26.00	28.54	13.00	GNR W 3	25.00	24.67	—	—	—	5.00	GNR W 3	25.00	24.67	—	—	—	—	5.00	
GNR W 4	—	—	—	—	26.00	28.00	1.00	GL W J	45.00	—	—	—	46.00	50.00	2.25	GL W J	45.00	—	—	—	46.00	50.00	2.25
GNR BR 1	—	—	38.25	39.50	—	—	2.00	GL W XL	35.75	40.33	—	—	—	44.44	14.00	GL W XL	35.75	40.33	—	—	—	44.44	14.00
GL W J	—	—	—	—	38.50	—	1.00	GL W LG	—	39.73	—	—	—	46.84	22.50	GL W LG	—	39.73	—	—	—	46.84	22.50
GL W XL	—	39.60	41.88	43.69	36.40	—	41.50	GL W MD	21.27	20.86	—	—	—	30.73	6.25	GL W MD	21.27	20.86	—	—	—	30.73	6.25
GL W LG	—	40.06	40.25	42.25	34.31	—	37.50	GL W SM	—	—	—	—	—	—	.25	GL W SM	—	—	—	—	—	—	.25
GL W MD	—	25.50	19.50	21.80	22.25	—	10.50	NRBS - 36	17.00	19.33	—	—	—	—	3.00	NRBS - 36	17.00	19.33	—	—	—	—	3.00
GL W SM	18.00	20.33	16.46	18.50	14.00	15.73	12.00																
NRBS - 48	25.75	27.50	25.60	25.00	28.22	28.84	32.00																
NRBS - 45	—	—	21.00	22.00	23.00	26.33	5.25																
NRBS - 42	—	—	—	—	19.00	22.00	2.00																
NRBS - 39	—	—	11.00	12.00	—	17.50	9.50																
NRBS - 36	16.00	—	—	—	—	—	1.00																

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES ARE LISTED FOR VARIOUS CLASSES PRICED BY ORIGIN AND/OR DESTINATION FOR 6 REGIONS. THE LOADS COLUMN REFLECTS TOTAL LOADS REPORTED AND INCLUDES LOADS WITH PRICES TO BE DETERMINED LATER. NRBS CATEGORIES REPRESENT NET WEIGHT-MATERIAL MAY OR MAY NOT BE INCLUDED. LOAD MOVEMENT REPRESENTS TOTAL MOVEMENT WITHIN 6 REGIONS.

**EASTERN LIGHT** Prices were unchanged. Demand was light for the mostly fully adequate to ample offerings. Processing schedules for next week were reported as normal. Canner movement was moderate with offerings adequate for trade needs. The undertone was steady.

**SOUTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN** Trading was too few to report. Demand was light for fully adequate offerings of leghorn fowl. Finished sales were moderate with schedules sufficient for needs. Trade sentiment was about steady.

**NORTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN** Prices unchanged. Demand was mostly moderate with offerings fully adequate to ample. Slaughter schedules full-time. Trade sentiment about steady.

**WEST COAST LIGHT LIVE HEN** Plants worked irregular schedules. Offerings spotty.

**LIVE TYPE HENS**

CENTS PER LB., DAY OF NEGOTIATION, GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER WITHIN THE NEXT 10 DAYS

LIGHT	RANGE	MAJORITY
Eastern Light	0-0 (1)	
Eastern Light	0-0 (2)	
So. Central Light	TFEWR (2)	
No. Central Light	TFEWR (1)	
No. Central Light	0 (2)	

(1) Buyer Loading (2) Producer Loading  
(TFEWR) TOO FEW TO REPORT

**SHELL EGGS-12 METRO AREA** FOR WEEK ENDING 28-SEP-01  
AVERAGE PRICES ON SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, GRADE A  
LARGE OR BETTER, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED  
STORE DOOR, CENTS PER DOZEN.

REGIONS	EX LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
NORTHEAST	63.51	61.13	38.93
SOUTHERN	55.59	52.98	32.18
MIDWEST	49.51	48.23	29.33
WESTERN	79.25	72.24	52.86
TWELVE METRO AREAS	65.24	61.39	41.20
COMPUTED FROM SIMPLE WEEKLY AVERAGES WEIGHTED BY METROPOLITAN AREA POPULATIONS			

**NATIONAL CANNER FOWL MARKET** Majority prices trended slightly higher on both light and heavy canners when compared to a week earlier. Supplies were sufficient for current trade needs. Demand was fair to good. Undertone was at least steady on the lights; fully steady on the heavies.

CENTS/POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, W/O FREIGHT COST INCLUDED

LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS)	HEAVY CANNER HENS (WITHOUT NECKS)
24-27 MAJORITY 24-25	32-38 MAJORITY 32.25-32.75

CENTS/POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, FREIGHT COST INCLUDED

LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS)	HEAVY CANNER HENS (WITHOUT NECKS)
25-29.5 MAJORITY 25-26	33-40 MAJORITY 33-33.75

**LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER INSPECTION** W/E 22-Sep-01

(PRELIMINARY) U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED DOMESTICALLY

(THOUSANDS)	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
HEAD	2,004	1,438	3,442
LAST WEEK	1,847	1,523	3,370
SAME WEEK YR AGO	1,718	1,658	3,376
TO-DATE/2001	67,340	52,477	119,817
TO-DATE/2000	73,070	54,852	127,922

**U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA**

(THOUSANDS)	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
HEAD	468	8	476
LAST WEEK	186	0	186
SAME WEEK YR AGO	492	0	492
TO-DATE/2001	16,519	251	16,770
TO-DATE/2000	17,856	544	18,400

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

**TOTAL U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN THE U.S. AND CANADA**

(THOUSANDS)	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
HEAD	2,472	1,446	3,918
LAST WEEK	2,033	1,523	3,556
SAME WEEK YR AGO	2,210	1,658	3,868
TO-DATE/2001	83,859	52,728	136,587
TO-DATE/2000	90,926	55,396	146,322

**Inspected Egg Products-U.S. & Canada Export/Import Trade****U.S. Exports to Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)**

	Week Ending Sep 15, 2001		Year-To-Date	
	2001	2000 /1	2001	2000
Liquid	231	101	8,249	5,113
Frozen	0	0	78	126
Dried	0	43	40	419
Total	231	144	8,367	5,658

**U.S. Imports From Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)**

	Week Ending Sep 15, 2001		Year-To-Date	
	2001	2000/1	2001	2000
Liquid	131	41	3,868	4,037
Frozen	70	48	1,073	657
Dried	12	47	485	701
Total	213	136	5,426	5,395

**Inspected Shell Eggs****U.S Exports To Canada, In 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary)**

	Week Ending Sep 15, 2001		Year-To-Date	
	2001	2000 /1	2001	2000
Jumbo	0	138	87	1,743
Extra Large	3,123	850	48,812	36,588
Large	2,318	5,157	90,552	105,231
Medium	0	660	33,868	25,479
Ungraded	14,880	8,250	280,250	277,894
Misc	900	0	67,220	9,387
Total	21,221	15,055	520,789	456,322

/1 Comparable Week, to-date figures may not total due to rounding.  
Source: USDA/AMS Poultry Programs, Market News Branch in cooperation with Agriculture Canada, Poultry Development Division.

**IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN** PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS,  
LOOSE, AT FARM (CASES EXCHANGED, GRADE YIELD BASIS).  
CENTS PER DOZEN

	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	26-29	10-13	2

**NEW ENGLAND** PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS, CASES  
EXCHANGED, GRADE YIELD BASIS, BROWN EGGS LOOSE,  
AT FARM CENTS PER DOZEN.

JUMBO	EXTRA LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
125-128	79-82	66-69	40-43	12-15

**DETROIT** PRICES TO FIRST RECEIVERS, CASES INCLUDED,  
USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, 30 DOZEN CASES, WHITE EGGS  
LOOSE. CENTS PER DOZEN.

JUMBO	EXTRA LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
53-56	44-50	42-47	22-27	15-19

**WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS**-SELECTED STGE CENTERS  
(INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

	FREGS	TURKS	POP
	LBS	LBS	LBS
AM 24-Sep-01	3,503	206,866	57,660
AM 1-Sep-01	3,597	189,756	45,223
CHG	-94	17110	12437
PCT CHG	-3	9	28

**MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS**

W/E 22-Sep-01

SELECTED	CW	PW	PCT CHG	
CONSUMING CENTERS	THOUSANDS		PW	LY
ATLANTA	21.4	21.9	-2	-15
BOSTON	3.9	4.3	-9	22
CHICAGO	44.7	40.8	10	-11
DETROIT	28.6	26.4	8	31
KANSAS CITY	3.5	3.5	0	-24
LOS ANGELES	108.3	103.2	5	18
NEW ORLEANS	8.5	8.7	-2	-6
NEW YORK	36.3	36.2	0	-2
ST. LOUIS	17.2	17.4	-1	40
SAN FRANCISCO	22.3	21.7	3	0
TOTAL	294.7	284.1	4	6
4 WK MVG AVG	295.7			

**COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT REPORT**

W/E 22-Sep-01

(RECEIPTS FROM PRODUCERS)

REGIONS	CASES (IN THOUS)	PERCENT CHANGE FROM	
		PW	LY
N. ATLANTIC	228.3	3	6
E.N. CENTRAL	544.3	1	4
W.N. CENTRAL	278.9	2	5
S. ATLANTIC	173.9	-4	-11
S. CENTRAL	80.6	2	19
WEST	199.1	-1	22
TOTAL	1505.1	0	5
MATCHED PLANTS REPORTING		88	88

**NEW ENGLAND WEEKLY SHELL EGG**

SEPTEMBER 25, 2001

 PRICES PAID PER DOZEN GRADE A BROWN EGGS IN CARTONS  
DELIVERED STORE DOOR.

	EXTRA LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
MAINE	112	99	70	45
MOSTLY	-	-	-	-
NEW HAMPSHIRE	105-109	92-96	63-67	38-42
MOSTLY	107-108	94-95	65-66	40-41
RHODE ISLAND	111-115	98-102	69-73	44-48
MOSTLY	111	98	69	44
VERMONT	115	100-102	74-75	-
MOSTLY	-	102	74	-

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